

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (previously presented) A method for combining a print job separator page and a print job into a single, integrated print job, said method comprising:

receiving an original print job at a print system component;

analyzing said original print job with said print system component to identify print job characteristics to be included on a print job separator page; and

creating a single, integral print job file comprising a single start job command, data describing said original print job, data describing said print job separator page and a single end of job command.

2. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein said print system component is a print processor.

3. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein said print system component is a spooler.

4. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein said print system component is a print assistant.

5. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein said print system component is located on a print server.

6. (previously presented) The method of claim 1 further comprising sending said single, integral print job to a printer.

7. (previously presented) The method of claim 1 further comprising sending said single, integral print job to a print server.

8. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein said creating comprises adding data for said print job separator page to said original print job.

9. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein said creating comprises creating a new print job file comprising data for said print job separator page and said original print job.

10. (previously presented) The method of claim 1 wherein said single, integral print job comprises said original print job preceded by said job separator page that identifies said original print job.

11. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein said print job separator page comprises a summary of characteristics of said original print job.

12. (previously presented) A method for creating a single, integrated print job by combining a print job separator page with a print job, said method comprising:

transmitting an original print job to a print system component;

determining characteristics of said original print job with said print system component by parsing a print job spool data file;

compiling print job separator page data based on said characteristics; and

creating a single, integral, modified spool file comprising a single spool file header followed by data describing said print job separator page and data describing said original print job, followed by a single end of job command.

13. (previously presented) A method for modifying an original print job, said method comprising:

transmitting an original print job to a print system component;

determining characteristics of said original print job with said print system component; and

modifying said original print job to form a single, modified, integral spool file comprising a single spool file header, a print job separator page comprising a description of said characteristics, data describing said original print job and a single end of job command.

14. (previously presented) A print system component for creating a single, integral, modified print job by combining a print job separator page with a print job, said component comprising:

a receiver for receiving a print job;

an analyzer for analyzing said print job; and

a combiner for combining said print job with a print job separator page comprising data discovered with said analyzer thereby creating a single, integral modified print job spool file comprising a single spool file header followed by data describing said print job separator page, followed by data describing said print job, followed by a single end of job command.

15. (previously presented) A computer readable medium comprising computer-readable instructions for creating a single, integral, modified print job by combining a print job separator page with a print job, said instructions comprising the acts of:

receiving an original print job at a print system component;

analyzing said original print job with said print system component; and

creating a single, integral, modified print job file comprising a single start job command followed by data describing a print job separator page comprising data discovered by said analyzing and data describing said original print job followed by a single end of job command.

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16. (canceled)